

**First Action Interview Pilot Program
Pre-Interview Communication**

Application No.

10/596,327

Applicant(s)

MARSH ET AL.

Examiner

Allen L. Parker

Art Unit

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THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE **ONE MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS**, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING OR NOTIFICATION DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

This time period for reply is extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for only ONE additional MONTH.

This communication constitutes notice under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(1)(i).

Applicant must, within the time period for reply, file: (1) A letter requesting not to have a first action interview; (2) A reply under 37 CFR 1.111 waiving the first action interview and First Action Interview Office Action; or (3) An Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form (PTOL-413A) electronically via EFS-Web, accompanied by a proposed amendment or arguments, and schedule the interview within 2 months from the filing of the request. A failure to respond to this communication will be treated as a request not to have an interview. If applicant waives the First Action Interview Office Action, the instant Pre-Interview Communication is deemed the first Office Action on the Merits. The next subsequent Office action may be made final if appropriate. See MPEP 706.07(a).

Disposition of Claims

- 3) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18,20,24 is/are pending in the application.
3a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 4) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18,20,24 is/are rejected.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 8) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 9) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 9 June 2006 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

- 10) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 11) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 4/25/2007, 4/4/2007, 11/17/2006
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☒ Other: Attached detailed action

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1	20,24		112	See §1-12 on the attached detailed action.
2	1,5-6,8-10,13,16	C	102	See §13-21 on the attached detailed action
3	2-3,14-15,17-18,20,24	C	103	See §22-30 on the attached detailed action
4	4,12	C,E	103	See §31-33 on the attached detailed action
5	7	C,A,D	103	See §34-35 on the attached detailed action

Expanded Discussion/Commentary

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6	11	C,B	103	See §36-37 on the attached detailed action.

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